and monitoring through a High Power Committee to ensure timely completion of all AIR and DD projects.

Air services to Chandigarh, Jalandhar and Ludhiana

2338. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of present Air services to Chandigarh, Jalandhar and Ludhiana;

(b) whether Indian Airlines and Private Airlines propose to start any new flight for the afforesaid places;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) At prersent, Indian Airlines operates once weekly service between Chandigarh and Leh. Archana Airways are operating 3 days a week flight on Delhi-Chandigarh-Delhi and Delhi-Ludhiana-Delhi sectors. There is no service to Jalandhar.

(b) At present there is no such proposal.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e) Due to operating crew constraint, at present, Indian Airlines have no plans to introduce service to any new station or to augment capacity on the existing routes. No other private operator has come forward so far to operate on these sectors.

Difference between Air India and Indian Airlines on route-sharing issue

2339. DR. BABU KALDATE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a difference in perception between Air India and Indian Airlines managements on the international route-sharing issue especially in Gulf sector; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to solve the International route-sharing pact between Air India and Indian Airlines?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Financial Institutions

2340. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have encouraged financial institutions to become direct players in selecting top personnel in assisted companies;

(b) if so, whether Government will ensure that financial institutions treat all business houses and multinationals in the same way;

(c) whether it is a fact that some companies have been selected for such treatment;

(d) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(e) the steps proposed to evolve a code of conduct for financial institutions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DR. DEBI PROSAD PAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) has reported that financial institutions (FIs) do not distinguish between their assisted companies and the treatment is uniform in respect of all assisted companies. Further, in case of disputes between promoters and professional management of an assisted company, FIs take appropriate action having regard to the interest of the company, track-record of the professional management and the nature and content of the dispute, without sacrificing the interests of the FIs.

(c) and (d) Do not arise, in view of the above.